

**Table 5-7. Benefits under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance System, 2011-2014**

Monthly Compensation Base		
Base Year 2011		\$1,330.00
Base Year 2012		\$1,365.00
Base Year 2013		\$1,405.00
Base Year 2014		\$1,440.00
Qualifying Wages		
Base Year 2011		\$3,325.00
Base Year 2012		\$3,412.50
Base Year 2013		\$3,512.50
Base Year 2014		\$3,600.00
Daily Benefit Rate		
Basic Rate	60% of daily rate of pay	
Maximum	5% of monthly compensation base	
Minimum		\$12.70
Benefit Year 2011		\$66.00
Benefit Year 2012		\$66.00
Benefit Year 2013		\$68.00
Benefit Year 2014		\$70.00
Maximum Normal Benefits		
For 14-day Period		
Benefit Year 2011		\$660.00
Benefit Year 2012		\$660.00
Benefit Year 2013		\$680.00
Benefit Year 2014		\$700.00
For Benefit Year	duration of 130 compensable days	
Benefit Year 2011		\$8,580.00
Benefit Year 2012		\$8,580.00
Benefit Year 2013		\$8,840.00
Benefit Year 2014		\$9,100.00
Maximum Extended Benefits <sup>a</sup>	duration of 65 compensable days	
Benefit Year 2011		\$4,290.00
Benefit Year 2012		\$4,290.00
Benefit Year 2013		\$4,420.00
Benefit Year 2014		\$4,550.00

**Source:** U.S. Railroad Retirement Board

**Note:** A benefit year begins on July 1 of a given year. For example, benefit year 2014 begins on July 1, 2014. This table was updated September 18, 2014 for the 2014 version of the House Ways and Means Committee Green Book.

a. Under current law, workers must have at least 10 years of service to qualify for extended benefits. However, pursuant to legislation first enacted in 2009, through the end of 2013 employees with less than 10 years of service were eligible for up to 65 days of extended benefits while those with more than 10 years of service were eligible for up to 130 days of extended benefits.